

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, December 8, 1908.

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D.  
The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read.

## NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESIDENT.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, the committee appointed by the House to join a like committee on the part of the Senate to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of the two Houses has assembled and that Congress was ready to receive any communication he might have to make, report that they have performed that duty, and the President has replied that he would communicate to the Congress by a message in writing.

## APPOINTMENTS ON COMMITTEES.

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces the following appointments to committees:

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. HIGGINS, to the Committee on the Judiciary, in place of Mr. Littlefield.

Mr. MARTIN, to the Committee on Indian Affairs, in place of Mr. Parker, deceased.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I call for the regular order. While we are waiting for the message I think the House can proceed with business.

## IMMIGRATION STATION, BOSTON, MASS.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York demands the regular order. The Chair lays before the House from the Speaker's table the bill (H. R. 13851) providing for the purchase of a site and the erection of a new immigration station thereon at the city of Boston, Mass., with a Senate amendment. The Senate amendment was read.

Mr. BENNET of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House insist on its disagreement to the Senate amendment, agree to the conference asked for by the Senate, and that the Chair appoint the conferees.

The motion was agreed to.

The Speaker announced the following conferees.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. HOWELL of New Jersey, Mr. GARDNER of Massachusetts, and Mr. BURNETT.

## BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House the bill (H. R. 21052) to amend sections 11 and 13 of the act entitled "An act to establish a Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization and to provide uniform rule for the naturalization throughout the United States," with Senate amendments.

The Senate amendments were read.

Mr. BENNET of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House insist on its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 5, agree to the conference asked for by the Senate, and that the Chair appoint the conferees.

The motion was agreed to.

The Speaker announced the following conferees.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. HOWELL of New Jersey, Mr. BENNET of New York, and Mr. BURNETT.

## AMENDING SECTION 1 OF THE PASSENGER ACT OF 1882.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House the bill S. 5083, to amend section 1 of the passenger act of 1882, with House amendments.

The amendments were read.

Mr. BENNET of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House insist on its amendments, and agree to the conference asked for by the Senate.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER announced the following conferees.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. HOWELL of New Jersey, Mr. BENNET of New York, and Mr. BURNETT.

The SPEAKER. The business on the Speaker's table having been disposed of so far as demanded, the Clerk will call the committees.

## CALL OF COMMITTEES.

The Clerk called the committees.

## REGULATION OF SHIPMENTS IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

Mr. HEPBURN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that we may return to the call of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Iowa [Mr. HEPBURN] asks unanimous consent to return to the call of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Is there objection?

Mr. BARTLETT of Georgia. I would like to know of the gentleman from Iowa what the purpose is.

Mr. HEPBURN. When the call was made, or when the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was reached, the chairman of the committee was engaged upon another matter and did not notice that the committee was called. I desire to call up two bills reported to that committee.

Mr. BARTLETT of Georgia. May I inquire of the gentleman what bills they are?

Mr. HEPBURN. One of them is a bill (H. R. 17228) to promote safe transportation in interstate commerce of explosives and other dangerous articles. The other is the bill H. R. 17979, requiring common carriers engaged in interstate and foreign commerce to make full report of all accidents to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mr. BARTLETT of Georgia. Are those the only bills which it is the intention of the chairman to call up this morning?

Mr. HEPBURN. That is all I now think of.

Mr. BARTLETT of Georgia. If the return to the call of the committee is confined to the two bills named, I would not object.

Mr. HEPBURN. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw the motion.

## FUTURE CONTRACTS ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for a change of reference. The bill H. R. 22338 was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and I ask that it be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Texas [Mr. HENRY] asks unanimous consent to change the reference of the bill introduced yesterday from the Committee on Agriculture to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. PAYNE. I think the title of the bill ought to be read, at least.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. I will read the title of the bill. It is as follows:

A bill (H. R. 22338) to prohibit dealing in future contracts on agricultural products by forbidding the use of mail and interstate-commerce facilities, and to prevent sending fictitious prices made on exchanges.

I ask that that bill be changed from reference to the Committee on Agriculture to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?

Mr. POLLARD. Mr. Speaker, may I ask the gentleman a question?

Mr. HENRY of Texas. Certainly.

Mr. POLLARD. I would like to inquire the gentleman's object in transferring the bill.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. My recollection is that this same bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and I have no particular object for changing the reference now except that it is a judicial question, and should go to that committee.

Mr. MANN. Has not the committee still jurisdiction of the bill?

Mr. HENRY of Texas. This changes the verbiage just a little bit, and I reintroduced it.

Mr. POLLARD. I would like to suggest to the gentleman to permit the matter to go over until to-morrow.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. I do not know that it will stand any chance of passing at this session, but I happen to be a member of the Committee on the Judiciary, and I would like to have it before that committee, where it went last year.

Mr. POLLARD. I will have to object unless I can look into the bill.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. I will let it go over so that the gentleman can look into it.

## SEWELL COULSON.

Mr. CHANEY. Mr. Speaker, I want to ask unanimous consent to have printed as a House document, with the accompanying report, No. 629 (H. R. 1072), for the relief of the representatives of Sewell Coulson, deceased, the letter of the Attorney-General discussing the merits of the claim.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Indiana [Mr. CHANEY] asks unanimous consent to have printed as a document a letter from the Attorney-General touching the bill referred to.

Mr. PAYNE. I would suggest to have it sent to the desk and have it read.

Mr. CHANEY. It is a request to have printed as a House document the letter of the Attorney-General in connection with Report No. 629 on bill H. R. 1072, made by the Committee on War Claims.

Mr. PAYNE. What is it about?

Mr. CHANEY. About the claim of the legal representatives of Sewell Coulson.

Mr. CLARK of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, we can not hear what is said.

Mr. CHANEY. Mr. Speaker, it is simply a request to have printed as a House document a letter of the Attorney-General of the United States addressed to the Committee on War Claims, for the use of the committee in connection with report No. 629 on H. R. 1072.

Mr. SULZER. What is the title of the bill?

Mr. CHANEY. For the relief of the legal representatives of Sewell Coulson, deceased.

Mr. PAYNE. I simply want to suggest to the gentleman that if it comes to the House over the Speaker's desk, it is already printed under the rule.

Mr. CHANEY. It is not in print now.

Mr. PAYNE. Well, it would be if it came as a letter addressed to the Speaker of the House.

Mr. CHANEY. It is a letter addressed to the Committee on War Claims.

Mr. SULZER. What did you say was the title of the bill?

Mr. CHANEY. For the relief of the legal representatives of Sewell Coulson, deceased.

Mr. SULZER. Let it be printed.

Mr. MANN. May I ask, Have not the Committee on War Claims authority to have printing done? If it can be done in that way, it would prevent the inauguration of a policy of having documents printed.

Mr. CHANEY. The Committee on War Claims might have printed it as a part of the report, but for some reason it was omitted, and there has been a request upon the part of several Members that this letter should be printed, to be used in connection with the report; and the report is now printed.

Mr. MANN. Can not that committee now, under order of the House, have such printing done as it may order?

Mr. CHANEY. Possibly so, but after advising with the Speaker we thought we should propose it now.

Mr. PAYNE. I suggest to the gentleman to wait until tomorrow, to see if it can not be done some other way.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, for the present, objects.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Sundry messages, in writing, from the President of the United States were communicated to the House of Representatives by Mr. Latta, one his secretaries.

#### ANNUAL MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT.

The SPEAKER laid before the House the annual message from the President of the United States, which was read.

[For text of message see Senate proceedings of this day.]

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the message and accompanying documents be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and printed.

The question was taken, and the motion was agreed to.

#### VOLUNTEER ARMY.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States, which was read, referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit herewith the draft of a bill intended to replace the present law under which the United States in time of emergency would proceed to raise a volunteer army. What we now have on the statute books was placed there piecemeal and hurriedly, partly on the eve of the war with Spain and partly after hostilities had actually commenced.

Every one familiar with the existing law is aware that it is faulty and wholly inadequate to a speedy and proper organization of a volunteer force, and that in part it has become obsolete through recent legislation affecting the organized militia. This proposed measure was drawn up under the supervision of the Chief of Staff and has the hearty approval of the War Department. It is a carefully prepared draft embodying as much of the existing law as seems wise and designed to afford the complete machinery by which, should we be confronted with a foreign war, the executive power could proceed at once to transform enthusiastic and patriotic citizens into efficient and organized soldiers. Happily there is at present no cloud upon our horizon, but that very fact affords us the best opportunity to proceed with deliberation and care in the preparation of laws adequate and indispensable for our possible war needs.

This measure would not call for a dollar's expenditure during the years of peace and its enactment into law now would merely be to place at the disposition of the executive power machinery whereby, should war threaten, the means to wage it could be swiftly brought into being. To do this, however, requires not merely adequate legislative provision. Grounded upon the law there must be a vast mass of detail wrought into a comprehensive plan and ready upon the instant to be set in motion. The Congress has provided a General Staff Corps and built for the War College a permanent and beautiful home; and the next logical step is to pass a comprehensive volunteer act to the end that the existing agencies may work out in advance the details of its execution.

The proposed bill is elastic; under its provisions a force of 2,000,000 men could be raised as well as one of 50,000. In making a volunteer army a sufficient staff is indispensable at the start, since without it organization can not proceed. This bill provides for this need and for

every other matter connected with raising a volunteer force which it is thought wise to incorporate in the law. It was prepared under the direction of Mr. Taft when Secretary of War and has, therefore, the approval of the gentleman who is to be my successor as Commander in Chief, and I trust it may commend itself to the favorable consideration of the Congress as it has to mine.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

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#### LABOR CONDITIONS ON THE ISTHMUS OF PANAMA.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House the following message from the President, which was read and, with the accompanying documents, ordered to be printed and referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I transmit herewith the report of the special commission appointed by me to investigate conditions of labor and housing of government employees on the Isthmus of Panama. The commission made careful and extended inspection of the workshops and living quarters of the employees, and conferred with representatives from all classes of workmen employed by the Isthmian Canal Commission and the Panama Railroad. After a thorough investigation the commission state that "the general sentiment of the workers was expressed in the words of a mechanic in one of the conferences which we held with representatives of different trades: 'We want it understood that we are American citizens and that we are proud to have a share in this great work. We believe the Government is treating us right, and we are as much interested to see this thing a success as anyone.' This spirit of loyalty and interest in the work was evinced on many occasions, and should be accounted an asset of the highest value to the Government in the accomplishment of its colossal task. The American people are entitled to just pride in the standard set by their Government for the treatment of the workers and the loyal service which has been the appropriate result."

The commission expresses the hope that "the liberal and progressive policy adopted in civil administration, in education, and in the care and treatment of employees of all races will be maintained, and that progress and improvement will be the watchword to the end." I am glad that the official reports previously received are confirmed by these unprejudiced investigators.

The commission submitted valuable recommendations regarding minor defects of the service. Such of these as come under executive authority I have ordered put into effect as far as possible. But I would call the attention of the Congress to the recommendation that the liberal housing policy of the administration be continued as an essential condition of the industrial efficiency of the employees.

I especially urge your favorable consideration of the recommendation to make a more liberal provision for employees permanently disabled in work on the Isthmian Canal. In the event of permanent disablement those engaged in this great national enterprise should receive as generous treatment as is accorded to those who have been disabled in the defense of their country. After faithful and hazardous service these workers should not, when disabled, become public charges in almshouses or burdens upon relatives unable to provide for their support.

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#### PLAZUELA SUGAR COMPANY, PORTO RICO.

The SPEAKER also laid before the House the following message from the President, which was read and, with the accompanying documents, ordered to be printed and referred to the Committee on Insular Affairs:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with section 32 of an act of Congress entitled "An act temporarily to provide revenues and a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes," approved April 12, 1900, and section 2 of the joint resolution amending said act, approved May 1, 1900, I transmit herewith copy of a franchise granted by the executive council of Porto Rico, entitled "An ordinance granting to the Plazuela Sugar Company the right to construct, maintain, and operate a pier on the sea front at 'Palmas Altas,' in the municipal district of Manati."

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#### CHANGE OF REFERENCE.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York. For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. I ask for a change of reference of the bill H. R. 22320 and of the bill H. R. 22279 from the Committee on the Judiciary to the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice. They are bills peculiarly cognizable, under the rule, by the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman forward the bills to the Clerk's desk, so that the Clerk may read the titles? The gentleman asks unanimous consent, as the Chair understands, for a change of reference as indicated. The Clerk will report the titles of the bills.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (H. R. 22320) to fix the fees of court criers, bailiffs, and witnesses in attendance upon the United States courts in Alabama.

A bill (H. R. 22279) increasing the salaries paid to circuit and district court judges of the United States.

The SPEAKER. The request of the gentleman is to change the reference from the Committee on the Judiciary to the committee that he has indicated.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. As provided for in Rule XI of the House.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection?



Mr. PAYNE. I object to that change of reference, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York objects. Mr. GOLDFOGLE. Then, Mr. Speaker, I move a change of reference as already indicated by me. If the Speaker will hear me for a moment, Rule XI provides that all bills providing for the reduction or increase of the pay of officers shall be subjects within the jurisdiction of the nine standing committees on public expenditures in the several departments.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I do not understand that the motion is as yet before the House.

The SPEAKER. The Chair was just trying to ascertain what the motion of the gentleman was.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. The motion is to refer to the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice the bills whose titles have been read by the Clerk, instead of referring them to the Committee on the Judiciary. They belong to the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice, under the rules of this House.

The SPEAKER. Then the gentleman's motion is to change the reference from the Judiciary Committee to the committee indicated?

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. Both bills to the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice.

Mr. PAYNE. I make the point of order that they are not in order.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. I submit, Mr. Speaker, that the motion is in order. It is a privileged motion. The bills should have been referred to the committee having jurisdiction, under the express words of the rule.

The SPEAKER. The Chair will call the attention of the gentleman from New York making the motion to Rule XXII, clause 3:

And corrections in case of error of reference may be made by the House without debate, in accordance with Rule XI, on any day immediately after the reading of the Journal, by unanimous consent, or on motion of a committee claiming jurisdiction, or on the report of the committee to which the bill has been erroneously referred.

The gentleman will find on page 282 of the Manual, the words which the Chair has read. It seems to the Chair that this is not immediately after the reading of the Journal.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. The Chair will recall that I rose and addressed the Chair, but that the President's message having just been received, of course I could not be heard; but I did rise in my seat and address the Speaker for the purpose of asking this change in reference under the rules.

Mr. PAYNE. I trust my colleague did not mistake the reading of the message for the reading of the Journal.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. No, certainly not. No one could.

The SPEAKER. After the reading of the Journal there was also a call of committees. The Chair is of opinion that the gentleman's motion is not in order at this time, under the rules.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. A parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker. Will the motion be in order to-morrow, immediately after the reading of the Journal?

The SPEAKER. The Chair will call the attention of the gentleman to the rule itself. It is very explicit and plain. It is so plain that it does not need any interpretation by the Chair.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. I call the attention of the Chair to the fact that in the past these bills, which are specially cognizable by the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice, were usually referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in order that there might be proper machinery provided for the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Justice, they were given a clerk and all other facilities for doing this work, and the committee is prepared to do the work, and now has before it several bills—

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my colleague be allowed five minutes to make a speech.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. I would like to know what these bills are.

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection, the gentleman from New York will state what the bills relate to. Of course, this proceeding is by unanimous consent.

Mr. HENRY of Texas. I understand that. I heard the reading of the rule, and I would like to know what the bills are, if there is no objection. I was not in the hall when the gentleman from New York made his statement.

Mr. GOLDFOGLE. I have no objection to the Clerk reading the titles again.

Mr. PAYNE. What is the request—to have the bills read?

The SPEAKER. No; simply the titles.

The Clerk read as follows:

A bill (H. R. 22320) to fix the fees of court criers, bailiffs, and witnesses in attendance upon the United States courts in Alabama.

A bill (H. R. 22279) increasing the salaries paid to circuit and district court judges of the United States.

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Pending the motion of Mr. PAYNE, by unanimous consent, on the request of Mr. McLAUGHLIN, Mr. DIEKEMA was given indefinite leave of absence on account of sickness in his family.

#### WITHDRAWAL OF PAPERS.

By unanimous consent, Mr. GRAHAM was given leave to withdraw from the files of the House, without leaving copies, papers in the case of James Charles Cramer, Sixtieth Congress, no adverse report being made thereon.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The motion of Mr. PAYNE was then agreed to; and accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 35 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock noon.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, the following executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Secretary of the Interior submitting an estimate of appropriation for rent of buildings for the use of the Civil Service Commission, etc.—to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of Pepperells Cove, Maine—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a letter from the custodian of dies, rolls, and plates, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, submitting an estimate of appropriation for an additional distributor of stock—to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Secretary of the Interior submitting an estimate of appropriation for completion of irrigation system on the Zuni Reservation, N. Mex.—to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the president of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia, transmitting a detailed statement of contingent expenses for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908—to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a report of disbursements for the year ended June 30, 1908, for colleges of agriculture and mechanic arts in the several States—to the Committee on Expenditures in the Interior Department and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a statement as to the annual report for Porto Rico—to the Committee on Insular Affairs and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a statement as to the annual report of the commissioner of education of Porto Rico—to the Committee on Insular Affairs and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of a letter from the Secretary of the Interior submitting a change in estimates of appropriation for the Indian Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910—to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a copy of the annual report of the Maritime Canal Company of Nicaragua—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a statement as to the employment of persons in the meat-inspection service during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908—to the Committee on Expenditures in the Department of Agriculture and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a report of the contingent expenses of the department for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908—to the Committee on Expenditures in the Treasury Department and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting a combined statement of receipts and expenditures of the Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903—to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a copy of a report from the Chief of Engineers, report of a board of officers appointed to investigate the hydraulics of Mare Island Straits and approaches, with a view to improvement—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed with illustrations.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of Alabama and Coosa rivers—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of Biloxi Harbor, Mississippi—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination of mouth of Brazos River, Texas—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of Mystic River, Massachusetts—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of New River, North Carolina—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of East River, New York—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of Oldmans Creek, New Jersey—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the Secretary of War, transmitting, with a letter from the Chief of Engineers, report of examination and survey of a channel from Pass Cavallo to Port Lavaca, Tex.—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a list of congressional cases dismissed on motion of the defendants November 16, 1908, for nonprosecution—to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting a list of congressional cases dismissed on motion of defendants May 14, 1908, for nonprosecution—to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting list of congressional cases dismissed on motion of the defendants May 14, 1908, for nonprosecution—to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the assistant clerk of the Court of Claims, transmitting list of congressional cases dismissed on motion of defendants May 14, 1908, for nonprosecution—to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

A letter from the president of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, transmitting the annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1908—to the Committees on Appropriations and Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

#### CHANGE OF REFERENCE.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXII, the Committee on Invalid Pensions was discharged from the consideration of the bill (H. R. 16142) granting an increase of pension to Jacob Adams, and the same was referred to the Committee on Pensions.

#### PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BARTHOLODT: A bill (H. R. 22879) to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to authorize the city of St. Louis, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, to construct a bridge across the Mississippi River," approved January 23, 1908—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. FLOOD: A bill (H. R. 22880) to construct a highway from the station in the town of Appomattox, Va., to the battlefield of Appomattox and other points of interest near said battlefield—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. ENGLEBRIGHT: A bill (H. R. 22881) appropriating money for the improvement of the entrance to Humboldt Bay, California—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. BRUNDIDGE: A bill (H. R. 22882) to provide for the erection of a public building at Newport, Ark.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. LOWDEN: A bill (H. R. 22883) for permanent consular improvement and commercial enlargement—to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. PAYNE: A bill (H. R. 22884) more completely to accomplish the objects contemplated by section 3 of the act of April 12, 1900, chapter 191—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. McCALL: A bill (H. R. 22885) relating to deeds given by collectors and other officers of the United States Government under sundry acts of Congress providing for the sale of real estate for direct taxes—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WILEY: A bill (H. R. 22886) to donate certain lands in Baldwin County, Ala., for educational purposes—to the Committee on the Public Lands.

By Mr. WEEKS: A bill (H. R. 22887) granting thirty working days' leave of absence in each year, without forfeiture of pay during such leave, to certain employees at United States arsenals, proving grounds, and supply stations—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22888) to protect migratory game birds of the United States—to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. HINSHAW: A bill (H. R. 22889) authorizing the procuring of additional land for the site of the public building at Beatrice, Nebr.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. CRAVENS: A bill (H. R. 22890) to provide for the erection of a public building at Nashville, Ark.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22891) for the enlargement of the federal building at Texarkana, Ark.-Tex.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22892) for the erection of a new federal building for court, post-office, and other governmental purposes at Texarkana, Ark.-Tex., and for the disposition of the present structure—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22893) to provide for the erection of a public building at Mena, Ark.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22894) to provide for the erection of a public building at Van Buren, Ark.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. FOSTER of Illinois: A bill (H. R. 22895) to establish a biological and fish-cultural station in the Twenty-third Congressional District of Illinois—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. RICHARDSON: A bill (H. R. 22896) to make it unlawful for certain federal officeholders to serve as delegates in a convention called to nominate a President of the United States or other elective United States officer—to the Committee on Election of President, Vice-President, and Representatives in Congress.

By Mr. HENRY of Texas: A bill (H. R. 22897) to establish a fish hatchery and fish station near Waco, Tex.—to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. SMITH of Iowa: A bill (H. R. 22898) to avoid the expenses of the Government exceeding its revenues—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SPERRY: A bill (H. R. 22899) to provide for the purchase of a site and the erection of a public building thereon at Seymour, in the State of Connecticut—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. STERLING: A bill (H. R. 22900) to appropriate money for a protecting wall on the Ohio River at Fort Massac Park, Pope County, Ill.—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. TOWNSEND: A bill (H. R. 22901) to amend section 6 of an act entitled "An act to regulate commerce," approved February 4, 1887, and acts amendatory thereof—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22902) to amend section 3 of an act entitled "An act to regulate commerce," approved February 4, 1887, and acts amendatory thereof—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22903) to amend section 6 of an act entitled "An act to regulate commerce," approved February 4, 1887, and acts amendatory thereof—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. SHEPPARD: A bill (H. R. 22904) for the erection of a new federal building for court-house, post-office, and other governmental purposes at Texarkana, Ark.-Tex., and for the disposition of the present structure—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22905) for the enlargement of the federal building at Texarkana, Ark.-Tex.—to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. McMILLAN: Resolution (H. Res. 444) increasing salary of special messenger named in House resolution adopted by the House January 15, 1901—to the Committee on Accounts.



By Mr. GILL: Resolution (H. Res. 445) requesting the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to furnish the House with information relative to the police force of the District of Columbia—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. BOUTELL: Resolution (H. Res. 446) for the payment of a clerk to certain committees of the House—to the Committee on Accounts.

By Mr. GARDNER of Massachusetts: Resolution (H. Res. 447) requesting the Secretary of State to furnish the House with certain information—to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GILL: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 200) granting to the Fifth Regiment Maryland National Guard the use of the corridors of the court-house of the District of Columbia, upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the marshal of the District—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan: Joint resolution (H. J. Res. 201) to amend section 1608 of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

#### PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. ACHESON: A bill (H. R. 22906) granting an increase of pension to William H. Fetter—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ADAIR: A bill (H. R. 22907) granting a pension to Charles C. Studley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22908) granting a pension to James L. Perry—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22909) granting a pension to Jesse Ault—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22910) granting a pension to Jonas Siegrist—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ADAMSON: A bill (H. R. 22911) granting an increase of pension to Martin R. Gentry—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. ALEXANDER of Missouri: A bill (H. R. 22912) granting a pension to W. J. Prater—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22913) granting a pension to Elizabeth Ballew—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22914) granting an increase of pension to William P. Sparks—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22915) granting an increase of pension to Henry E. Gibson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22916) granting an increase of pension to Richard H. Swank—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ANSBERRY: A bill (H. R. 22917) granting an increase of pension to Lay W. Richardson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22918) granting an increase of pension to Emanuel Reider—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22919) granting an increase of pension to James Snow—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22920) granting an increase of pension to John M. Stuter—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22921) granting an increase of pension to John B. Houtz—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22922) granting an increase of pension to Adam Minsel—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22923) granting an increase of pension to Joseph H. Allen—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22924) granting an increase of pension to Thomas J. Divert—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22925) granting an increase of pension to David Wineland—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22926) granting an increase of pension to George Sharp—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22927) granting an increase of pension to Oscar Wilson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22928) granting an increase of pension to William T. Bennett—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22929) granting an increase of pension to Moses M. Haver—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22930) granting an increase of pension to Loren G. Cox—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22931) granting an increase of pension to Gregory Dolt—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22932) granting an increase of pension to Levi Hosler—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22933) granting an increase of pension to George W. Davis—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22934) granting an increase of pension to Hiram Hunt, alias Hiram Mace—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22935) granting an increase of pension to Fidelia Hale—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22936) granting an increase of pension to Albert Kring—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22937) granting an increase of pension to William Hoover—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22938) granting an increase of pension to Aaron C. Lawrence—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22939) granting an increase of pension to James Price—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22940) granting an increase of pension to Jacob Sence—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22941) granting an increase of pension to Joseph S. Ash—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22942) granting an increase of pension to James H. Alexander—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22943) granting an increase of pension to Henry Foss—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22944) granting an increase of pension to Lydia A. Long—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22945) granting an increase of pension to Joseph Mase—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22946) granting an increase of pension to Edwin Cowell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22947) granting an increase of pension to Henry Matson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22948) granting an increase of pension to Joseph H. Allen—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22949) granting an increase of pension to William A. Hill—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22950) granting an increase of pension to James Hoy—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22951) granting an increase of pension to Milton B. Evers—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22952) granting an increase of pension to William N. Clutter—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22953) granting an increase of pension to Franklin H. Sullinger—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22954) granting a pension to Edward Kerns—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22955) granting a pension to Harry Van Holzer—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22956) granting a pension to Fred F. Travis—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22957) granting a pension to Huldah E. Harden—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22958) granting a pension to Lydia A. Stock—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22959) granting a pension to Jefferson Elder—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. ASHBROOK: A bill (H. R. 22960) granting an increase of pension to David Creger—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22961) granting an increase of pension to James B. Cooper—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22962) granting an increase of pension to Josiah Hensel—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22963) granting an increase of pension to Anna Irvine—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22964) granting an increase of pension to Hiram H. Fisher—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22965) granting a pension to Eva B. Jones and children—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22966) granting a pension to W. E. Tyler—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BARCLAY: A bill (H. R. 22967) granting an increase of pension to Aaron B. Myers—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22968) granting an increase of pension to Abram V. Miller—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BARTLETT of Georgia: A bill (H. R. 22969) for the relief of the heirs and legal representatives of Martha McLeroy—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22970) for the relief of the estate of Calvin W. Battle, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22971) for the relief of the trustees of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. BIRDSALL: A bill (H. R. 22972) granting an increase of pension to Benjamin F. Rantz—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22973) granting an increase of pension to George R. Haner—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22974) granting an increase of pension to Andrew R. Ladd—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. BROWNLOW: A bill (H. R. 22975) to correct the military record of James H. Dunbar—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. BRUNDIDGE: A bill (H. R. 22976) for the relief of the heirs of George Small, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. CHANEY: A bill (H. R. 22977) granting a pension to Harriet Anderson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22978) granting an increase of pension to William T. Crawford—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22979) granting an increase of pension to William Duffner—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22980) granting an increase of pension to Charles A. Radcliff—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22981) granting a pension to George N. Puett—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CHAPMAN: A bill (H. R. 22982) granting a pension to Addie Martha Beard—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22983) granting an increase of pension to Albert A. Newman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22984) granting a pension to Mary M. Edmonds—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22985) granting a pension to John H. Barbee—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22986) granting a pension to Julia Ann Casey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. COOK of Pennsylvania: A bill (H. R. 22987) to correct the military record of John W. Hayes—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. COOPER of Pennsylvania: A bill (H. R. 22988) granting an increase of pension to John S. Reagan—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22989) granting an increase of pension to George W. Gould—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22990) granting an increase of pension to George W. Kremer—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22991) granting an increase of pension to John D. Mallory—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22992) granting an increase of pension to Irwin McCutcheon—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22993) granting an increase of pension to William Newell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22994) granting an increase of pension to George W. Cable—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22995) granting an increase of pension to George W. Berkeybile—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. COX of Indiana: A bill (H. R. 22996) granting an increase of pension to Henry Weatherholt—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22997) granting an increase of pension to William Birth—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22998) granting an increase of pension to William Newton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 22999) granting an increase of pension to Benjamin F. X. Jones—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23000) granting an increase of pension to Sarah J. Zimmerle—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23001) granting an increase of pension to William Andrew—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23002) granting an increase of pension to Levi N. Erwin—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23003) granting an increase of pension to Thomas J. Parsons—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23004) granting an increase of pension to Henry Berger—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23005) granting an increase of pension to Henry C. Roberson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23006) granting an increase of pension to Thomas Lewis—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CURRIER: A bill (H. R. 23007) granting an increase of pension to Israel Adams—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23008) granting an increase of pension to Joseph Morrow—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23009) granting an increase of pension to Charles Fairbanks—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23010) granting a pension to Hamilton P. Chase—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. CUSHMAN: A bill (H. R. 23011) granting an increase of pension to William L. Sapp—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DE ARMOND (by request): A bill (H. R. 23012) for the relief of the heirs of Robert J. Allen, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also (by request), a bill (H. R. 23013) for the relief of the heirs of William F. Crenshaw, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23014) granting an increase of pension to Abner Gwinn—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23015) granting an increase of pension to John Bridge—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23016) granting an increase of pension to John S. Robinson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23017) granting an increase of pension to Calvin F. Boxley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23018) granting a pension to Louisa M. Ferrier—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DWIGHT: A bill (H. R. 23019) granting an increase of pension to Albert B. Hayden—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23020) granting an increase of pension to Jeremiah Robbins—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23021) granting an increase of pension to Henry D. Wright—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23022) granting an increase of pension to Herman N. Payne—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23023) granting an increase of pension to Charles Benedict—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23024) granting an increase of pension to John Brown—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23025) granting an increase of pension to Jonathan E. Havens—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23026) granting an increase of pension to Harvey Stearns—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23027) granting an increase of pension to Marvin S. Robinson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23028) granting an increase of pension to William A. Strong—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23029) granting an increase of pension to Elbert F. Smith—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23030) granting an increase of pension to Charles Wood—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23031) granting an increase of pension to Randal N. Bragg—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23032) granting an increase of pension to Michael O'Brien—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23033) granting a pension to Eunice M. Stickle—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23034) granting a pension to Almon Craver—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23035) granting a pension to Levi F. Dean—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23036) granting a pension to John W. Davenport—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23037) granting a pension to Edward Middleton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23038) for the relief of James A. Watson—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23039) to correct the military record of Joel Townsend—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23040) to correct the military record of John Knapp—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23041) to correct the military record of Albert P. Bliven—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23042) granting an increase of pension to David A. Munson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ESCH: A bill (H. R. 23043) granting a pension to William Schaffer—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23044) granting a pension to Julia A. Strong—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23045) granting an increase of pension to Henry Fuller—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23046) granting an increase of pension to Levi M. King—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23047) granting an increase of pension to Daniel Allen—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FLOYD: A bill (H. R. 23048) for the relief of T. M. Rea—to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23049) for the relief of W. F. Mitchell—to the Committee on Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23050) granting a pension to James Huff—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23051) granting a pension to W. L. Reynolds—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.



Also, a bill (H. R. 23052) granting a pension to John H. Gray—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23053) granting an increase of pension to James C. Cooper—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23054) granting an increase of pension to James H. Gifford—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOCHT: A bill (H. R. 23055) granting an increase of pension to Samuel Gonder—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23056) granting an increase of pension to Henry G. Chritzman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23057) granting an increase of pension to Henry H. Schrawder—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23058) granting an increase of pension to William A. Price—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23059) granting an increase of pension to Alexander Flack—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23060) granting an increase of pension to Jacob S. Shaffer—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23061) granting an increase of pension to David G. Stahl—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FORDNEY: A bill (H. R. 23062) granting an increase of pension to William Singleton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23063) granting an increase of pension to George K. Fairman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23064) granting an increase of pension to Henry Howe—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23065) granting an increase of pension to Thomas Hefty—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23066) granting a pension to Rebecca Wallace—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOSTER of Illinois: A bill (H. R. 23067) granting a pension to Ollie Arnold—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23068) granting an increase of pension to Adam R. Gay—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23069) granting an increase of pension to Varnel G. Compton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23070) granting an increase of pension to John Wingert—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23071) granting an increase of pension to Benjamin Armiston—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23072) granting an increase of pension to Jesse A. Moore—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23073) granting an increase of pension to Andrew J. Beard—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23074) granting an increase of pension to William S. Price—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23075) granting an increase of pension to Henry H. Baltzell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23076) granting an increase of pension to T. M. Stevens—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23077) granting an increase of pension to Alexander Herrin—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23078) granting an increase of pension to James W. Baker—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOSTER of Vermont: A bill (H. R. 23079) granting an increase of pension to Oliver D. Bemis—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOWLER: A bill (H. R. 23080) granting a pension to Rosa S. Warne—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23081) granting an increase of pension to William H. Lounsbury—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FULLER: A bill (H. R. 23082) granting an increase of pension to Abraham J. Eastwood—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23083) granting an increase of pension to Silas B. Merchant—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FULTON: A bill (H. R. 23084) granting a pension to Absalom Cunningham—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23085) granting a pension to Charles B. Hunt—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. GILL: A bill (H. R. 23086) for the relief of Marshall Honeycutt and Ida May Wilson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23087) for the relief of John O'Rourke—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. GRAHAM: A bill (H. R. 23088) granting an increase of pension to Samuel L. Jamison—to the Committee on Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23089) granting an increase of pension to Alexander Snodgrass—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. HAMILL: A bill (H. R. 23090) granting a pension to Emily F. Freeborn—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HENRY of Connecticut: A bill (H. R. 23091) granting an increase of pension to William Hubbard—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HUBBARD of West Virginia: A bill (H. R. 23092) granting an increase of pension to John W. Lamb—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23093) granting an increase of pension to D. B. Johnson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23094) granting an increase of pension to Mahala C. Lydick—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23095) granting an increase of pension to John T. Starkey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HUGHES of West Virginia: A bill (H. R. 23096) granting an increase of pension to Jessie Queen—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23097) granting an increase of pension to William Lawson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23098) granting an increase of pension to Henry G. Pickens—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23099) for the relief of the estate of Philip Null, deceased—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HULL of Tennessee: A bill (H. R. 23100) to remove the charge of desertion against John Downs—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23101) granting a pension to George A. Womack—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 23102) holding and considering William Mullally to have been honorably discharged—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23103) holding and considering James Perrott, alias James Parrott, to have been honorably discharged—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. KIMBALL: A bill (H. R. 23104) granting an increase of pension to David C. Coleman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KNAPP: A bill (H. R. 23105) granting an increase of pension to Freeman C. Moshier—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KÜSTERMANN: A bill (H. R. 23106) granting an increase of pension to John Nieland—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LAFEAN: A bill (H. R. 23107) granting a pension to Margaret A. Manifold—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LAW: A bill (H. R. 23108) for the relief of the heirs of those killed by the explosion at Fort Lafayette February 19, 1903—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. LEE: A bill (H. R. 23109) granting a pension to Henry C. Miller—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LLOYD: A bill (H. R. 23110) granting an increase of pension to S. G. Brock—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LOUD: A bill (H. R. 23111) granting a pension to William H. H. Tilghman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23112) granting an increase of pension to Spencer C. Williams—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LOVERING: A bill (H. R. 23113) granting an increase of pension to Henry J. Earle—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23114) granting an increase of pension to Harrison L. Higgins—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. McCALL: A bill (H. R. 23115) to amend the naval record of Jeremiah J. Hurley—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23116) to amend the military record of George A. Frost—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23117) granting an increase of pension to William W. Lindsey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MADDEN: A bill (H. R. 23118) granting a pension to Elmer E. King—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MANN: A bill (H. R. 23119) granting an increase of pension to Alfred C. Hawley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MARTIN: A bill (H. R. 23120) granting a pension to Washington Mead—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23121) granting an increase of pension to John N. Hess—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MILLER: A bill (H. R. 23122) granting an increase of pension to Stephen A. Devers—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23123) granting an increase of pension to John N. Raley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. MOON of Tennessee: A bill (H. R. 23124) for the relief of the estate of Mary A. Henderson, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23125) for the relief of the estate of Cassandra Smith, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23126) for the relief of the estate of Daniel C. Yarnell, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. NYE: A bill (H. R. 23127) to correct the military record of Sylvester D. Foss—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23128) to correct the military record of Silas Overmire—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23129) granting an increase of pension to Albert Gardner—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23130) granting an increase of pension to Henry A. Fisher—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23131) granting an increase of pension to John McDonald—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23132) granting an increase of pension to Rufus R. S. Mayo—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23133) for the relief of Sarah B. Schaeffer—to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. OVERSTREET: A bill (H. R. 23134) granting an increase of pension to Edward Ayres—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. PADGETT: A bill (H. R. 23135) for the relief of the estate of Banks C. Wells, deceased—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. PAYNE: A bill (H. R. 23136) granting an increase of pension to Michael B. Van Buskirk—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. PRAY: A bill (H. R. 23137) for the relief of Malcolm Gillis—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

By Mr. ROBERTS: A bill (H. R. 23138) granting an increase of pension to Don F. Willis—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23139) granting an increase of pension to Andrew Goodwin—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23140) granting an increase of pension to Joseph W. Hartshorn—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ROBINSON: A bill (H. R. 23141) granting an increase of pension to G. J. Palmer—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RAUCH: A bill (H. R. 23142) granting an increase of pension to Charles H. Frushour—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RUCKER: A bill (H. R. 23143) granting an increase of pension to Josiah U. Luyster—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23144) granting a pension to Myra E. Chapman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23145) granting an increase of pension to Abram Cox—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23146) granting an increase of pension to Harrison Bryant—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23147) granting an increase of pension to John C. Chapman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23148) granting an increase of pension to George W. Brookover, jr.—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. RUSSELL of Missouri: A bill (H. R. 23149) granting an increase of pension to August Bierwirth—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHERLEY: A bill (H. R. 23150) for the relief of Ann Ford Mattingly—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23151) granting an increase of pension to Barbara Mehringer—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHERMAN: A bill (H. R. 23152) granting an increase of pension to Edward W. Oliver—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23153) granting an increase of pension to George E. Olcott—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23154) granting an increase of pension to Morris G. Conkling—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23155) to remove the charge of desertion from the military record of J. W. Decker—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. SMITH of California: A bill (H. R. 23156) granting a pension to John J. Preston—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SMITH of Iowa: A bill (H. R. 23157) granting an increase of pension to Charles E. Sackett—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23158) granting an increase of pension to William H. Darnell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan: A bill (H. R. 23159) granting a pension to James R. Hutton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23160) granting a pension to J. C. Predmore—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23161) granting a pension to N. C. Thomas—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SNAPP: A bill (H. R. 23162) granting an increase of pension to Helen E. Green—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23163) granting an increase of pension to Theodore Breckenridge—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23164) granting an increase of pension to Laura Cranson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23165) granting an increase of pension to John W. Merchant—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23166) granting an increase of pension to Frederick Palmer—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23167) granting an increase of pension to William Ridge—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23168) granting an increase of pension to Oliver M. Ober—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23169) granting an increase of pension to Leonard A. Smith—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23170) granting an increase of pension to Emory Post—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SPERRY: A bill (H. R. 23171) granting an increase of pension to Terrence McDonald—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23172) granting an increase of pension to Michael Grogan—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23173) granting an increase of pension to Frank B. Hitchcock—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23174) granting an increase of pension to Sarah A. Hamilton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23175) granting an increase of pension to Edward E. Crandall—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23176) granting an increase of pension to Pizarro S. Pullon—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23177) granting an increase of pension to George L. Ballard—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23178) granting an increase of pension to Jerome Johnson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23179) granting an increase of pension to Bridget Mullens—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. STEPHENS of Texas: A bill (H. R. 23180) granting an increase of pension to George V. Myers—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SULZER: A bill (H. R. 23181) for the relief of Edmund F. Jenkins—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. TAYLOR of Alabama: A bill (H. R. 23182) granting an increase of pension to John Riley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. TAYLOR of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 23183) granting an increase of pension to Henry Horch—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23184) granting an increase of pension to Joseph Llenkugel—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23185) granting an increase of pension to Jacob Thompson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23186) granting an increase of pension to Anna N. Burnell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23187) granting an increase of pension to Newton S. Haller—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23188) granting an increase of pension to Benjamin Strain—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23189) granting an increase of pension to Nathan McGrew—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23190) granting an increase of pension to John Macklin—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23191) granting an increase of pension to William Burke—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23192) granting an increase of pension to John C. Dawson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23193) granting an increase of pension to Charles T. Clark—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23194) granting an increase of pension to William Romosier—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23195) granting an increase of pension to John D. Dean—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. THOMAS of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 23196) granting an increase of pension to Bessie P. August—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23197) granting an increase of pension to Orestes L. Strong—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23198) granting an increase of pension to John Egan—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23199) granting an increase of pension to James A. Trimble—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.



Also, a bill (H. R. 23200) granting an increase of pension to Patrick Cox—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. TOU VELLE: A bill (H. R. 23201) granting an increase of pension to Jasper Stewart—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23202) granting an increase of pension to Jesse S. Clum—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. TOWNSEND: A bill (H. R. 23203) granting an increase of pension to William H. Dorrance—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23204) granting an increase of pension to James Bolton—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23205) granting an increase of pension to Edward Blanchard—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23206) granting an increase of pension to Alfred N. Brown—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23207) granting an increase of pension to William H. Jay—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WEEKS: A bill (H. R. 23208) to provide for the appointment and retirement of late Ensign John Tracey Edson as lieutenant in the United States Navy—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23209) granting an increase of pension to Martha R. Griswold—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23210) granting an increase of pension to John McEnany—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23211) granting an increase of pension to Frank S. Nickerson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23212) granting a pension to George S. Parker—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23213) granting a pension to Mary E. Libbey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23214) granting a pension to Charlotte A. Butters—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23215) granting a pension to Patrick L. Farrell—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WEISSE: A bill (H. R. 23216) granting a pension to Julius Jensen—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23217) granting a pension to John W. Kolste—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23218) granting a pension to August Capelle—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23219) granting a pension to May A. Price—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23220) granting a pension to Rebecca Series—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23221) granting a pension to Conrad Herwig—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23222) granting a pension to William H. Chapin—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23223) granting a pension to Peter Medinger—to the Committee on Invalid Pension.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23224) granting a pension to James McMahon—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23225) granting an increase of pension to Herman Ecker—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23226) granting an increase of pension to Franklin C. Mather—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23227) granting an increase of pension to Gottlieb Granold—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23228) granting an increase of pension to Albert F. Pierce—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WILEY: A bill (H. R. 23229) granting a pension to Martha Rebecca Young—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. WILSON of Illinois: A bill (H. R. 23230) granting an increase of pension to Wilson Wightman—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23231) granting an increase of pension to Frank C. Bruner—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23232) granting an increase of pension to Lorenz Valentine—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23233) granting an increase of pension to Myra J. Strong—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23234) granting an increase of pension to Henry W. Every—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23235) granting an increase of pension to Edwin N. Gifford—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 23236) granting an increase of pension to Frederick A. Battey—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

#### PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, the following petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. ACHESON: Petition of Rear-Admiral H. F. Pickering Naval Garrison, No. 4, of Erie, Pa., for legislation retiring

petty officers and enlisted men of the navy after twenty-five years of continuous service—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Also, papers to accompany bills for relief of William H. Fetter and George Metz—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of citizens of New Wilmington, for legislation to pension members of the Telegraph Corps of the civil war—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of J. G. Harbard, of Veteran Army of Philippines, for legislation making August 13 a legal holiday, to be known as "Occupation Day"—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALEXANDER of Missouri: Papers to accompany bills for relief of Rich. H. Swank, William A. Gibbany, and Henry E. Gibson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. ANSBERRY: Petition of Oakwood and Brown townships, Ohio, against the Johnson Sunday bill (S. 3940)—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. ASHBROOK: Papers to accompany bills for relief of Garrett H. Fowler and David Creger—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of Edith Wheaton and others, of Shreve, Ohio, against Johnson bill (S. 3940), providing for religious legislation in the District of Columbia—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. BARTLETT of Georgia: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. BIRDSALL: Petition of Monday Afternoon Club, of Dubuque, Iowa, favoring Senate concurrent resolution No. 28, deploring acts of violence and inhumanity on the part of the Russian Government toward its subjects—to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, petition of citizens of Eldora, Iowa, favoring increase of salaries of federal judges—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BRUNDIDGE: Paper to accompany bill for relief of heirs of George Small—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. BURNETT: Petition of Mobile Chamber of Commerce, favoring S. 4825, for forest reservations in White Mountains and Southern Appalachian Mountains—to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. CAMPBELL: Petition of E. V. Langon, against duty on zinc ore—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CHANEY: Petition of Dr. J. H. Bennett and others, of Farmersburg, Ind., and Samuel Rowe and others, of Linton, Ind., against the passage of S. 3940 (proper observance of Sunday as day of rest in the District of Columbia)—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Also, paper to accompany bill for relief of George N. Puett—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. COOK of Pennsylvania: Petition of Veteran Army of the Philippines, favoring legislation making August 13 a legal holiday, to be known as "Occupation Day"—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Also, petition of Rear-Admiral H. F. Pickering Naval Garrison, No. 4, of Erie, Pa., National Corps Army and Navy Union, for legislation retiring petty officers and enlisted men of the United States Navy after twenty-five years of actual service—to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. COX of Indiana: Petition of members of Grand Army of the Republic Post No. 436, for legislation affording general increase of civil-war soldiers' pensions—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DAVIDSON: Petition of Military Order of the Loyal Legion of Wisconsin, favoring legislation to place volunteer officers of the civil war on the retired list—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, petition of the Chamber of Commerce of Oshkosh, Wis., favoring a nonpartisan tariff commission—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DE ARMOND: Papers to accompany bills for relief of heirs of William L. Rowland and heirs of Robert J. Allen—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. ESCH: Paper to accompany bills for relief of Julia A. Strong, Harry Fuller, Levi King, and Daniel Allen—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, paper to accompany bill for relief of William Schaffer—to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. FLOYD: Paper to accompany bill for relief of James L. Stevens—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, paper to accompany bill for relief of Lewis A. Edwards—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FOCHT: Papers to accompany bills for relief of William H. Kough, Peter Godling, and J. H. Condon—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. FULLER: Petitions of Byron Hewitt, of Rockford, Ill., and G. W. Rohr and Malcolm Bruner, favoring Fuller bill (H. R. 19250), to establish volunteer officers' retired list—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. GRAHAM: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Albert E. Beatty—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of citizens of Pennsylvania, favoring the Tirrell bill (H. R. 12405) and the Bacon bill (S. 5151), to prohibit liquor selling in Hawaii, etc.—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HAGGOTT: Petition of citizens of Colorado, against S. 3940 (religious legislation in the District of Columbia)—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. HAMILL: Petition of citizens of Hudson County, N. J., for legislation pensioning United States military telegraphers who served in the civil war—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. HARDWICK: Petition of Chamber of Commerce of Augusta, Ga., favoring Senate bill 4825, for forest reservations in White Mountains and Southern Appalachian Mountains—to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. HASKINS: Petition of John L. Bacon and others, of White River Junction, Vt., for legislation pensioning members of the United States Telegraph Corps in the civil war—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of C. A. Thomson and others, of Windham County, Vt., against S. 3940 (Sunday observance in the District of Columbia)—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. HOWELL of New Jersey: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Combs Hendrickson—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of Atlantic Terra Cotta Company, of Rocky Hill, N. J., favoring removal of duty on plaster—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of residents of Matawan, N. J., for improvement of Matawan Creek—to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

By Mr. HOWELL of Utah: Petition of Governor Cutler and other citizens of Utah, favoring a volunteer officers' retired list—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, petition of candy manufacturers of Provo, Utah, for reduction of tariff on chicle and other materials used in manufacture of candy—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUBBARD of West Virginia: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Elizabeth F. Brubaker—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KIMBALL: Petition of sundry citizens of Lexington, Ky., asking that the act of June 27, 1890, relative to pensions be amended—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. KNAPP: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Freeman C. Moshier—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LEE: Papers to accompany bills for relief of David E. Tatum, heirs of Noah Fugate, estate of Howell Tatum, and heirs of John W. Gilliam—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. LEVER: Petition of Columbia (S. C.) Chamber of Commerce, favoring H. R. 10457, for forest reservations in White Mountains and Southern Appalachian Mountains—to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. LOUD: Petition of citizens of Twining, Mich., against S. 3940 (Sunday observance in the District of Columbia)—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. McKINLEY of Illinois: Petition of citizens of Sadorus, Ill., against the passage of S. 3940, entitled "An act for the proper observance of Sunday as a day of rest in the District of Columbia"—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. MANN: Memorial of Illinois Manufacturers' Association, adopted to discouraging measures tending to aggravate agitation against corporate interests, etc.—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, petition of retail shoe merchants in Chicago, against duty on hides—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of Arche Club, of Chicago, praying for the establishment of the White Mountain and Appalachian Mountain Forest Reserve—to the Committee on Agriculture.

Also, paper to accompany bill for relief of Alfred C. Hawley—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of Patent Law Association, of Chicago, favoring increase of salaries of federal judges—to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MILLER: Petition of citizens of Emporia, Kans., against S. 3940 (Sunday observance in the District of Columbia)—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. MOON of Tennessee: Papers to accompany bills for relief of Joshua E. Carlton and Susan A. Rall (previously re-

ferred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions)—to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, papers to accompany bills for relief of estate of Daniel C. Yarnell, Mary A. Henderson, Hampton Hudgens, and Cassandra Smith—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. OVERSTREET: Paper to accompany bill for relief of Edward Ayres—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. PADGETT: Paper to accompany bill for relief of estate of Banks C. Mills—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. PARSONS: Petition of citizens of New York City, asking legislation to provide pensions for the United States Military Telegraph Corps of the United States Army during civil war—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. PRAY: Petition of citizens of Montana, for law to pension members of United States Telegraphers' Union in civil war—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, petition of Butte Stationary Engineers' Local Union, No. 83, for legislation empowering investigation of the Treadwell Mining Company—to the Committee on Mines and Mining.

By Mr. ROBINSON: Papers to accompany bills for relief of Mrs. M. A. Hibbard, heirs of Azariah Mitchell, and trustees of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church—to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. RYAN: Papers to accompany bills for relief of William H. Eldridge, Charles H. Rice, and William Fay—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SHERMAN: Paper to accompany bill for relief of George E. Olcott—to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan: Petition of William H. Taylor and 73 others, against H. R. 4897, providing for religious legislation in the District of Columbia—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

By Mr. TIRRELL: Petition of Moses C. Davis and others, against S. 3940, for religious legislation for the District of Columbia—to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Also, petition of Katherine Hall and others, favoring H. R. 18445, for methods of treatment of tuberculosis—to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

Also, petition of C. A. Cross & Co., favoring removal of duty on raw and refined sugar—to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WEISSE: Petition of citizens of Wisconsin, against a parcels-post law—to the Committee on the Post-Office and Post-Roads.

## SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, December 9, 1908.

The Senate met at 12 o'clock m.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. Edward E. Hale.

Mr. ALBERT J. BEVERIDGE, a Senator from the State of Indiana, appeared in his seat to-day.

The Secretary proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings, when, on request of Mr. KEAN, and by unanimous consent, the further reading was dispensed with.

The VICE-PRESIDENT. The Journal stands approved.

### REPORTS OF SECRETARY OF THE SENATE.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, a full and complete statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate of public moneys in his possession from July 1, 1907, to June 30, 1908, which, with the accompanying papers, was ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

He also laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting a full and complete account of all property, including stationery, belonging to the United States in his possession on the 7th day of December, 1908, which, with the accompanying paper, was ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

### REPORTS OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, transmitting a statement of the receipts from the sale of condemned property in his possession since December 2, 1907, which, with the accompanying paper, was ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

He also laid before the Senate a communication from the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, giving a full and complete account of all property belonging to the United States in his possession on December 7, 1908, which, with the accompanying paper, was ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC PRINTER.

The VICE-PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the annual report of the Public Printer, showing the operations of the Gov-